



**INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION
PARA TABLE TENNIS DIVISION**

TECHNICAL DELEGATE'S REPORT

Name of Tournament:	1st Indonesia PTT Junior & Masters Open 2016
Ranking Factor:	Factor 20
Name of the National Association/Organizer:	NPC of Indonesia and the Indonesia Table Tennis Association
Name of Chairperson of the Organizing Committee:	Mr. Pribadi
Venue:	GOR RM Said Hall Tegalasri, Bejen, Kec. Karanganyar, Kabupaten Karanganyar, Central Java
Dates of play:	19th & 20th July 2016 (Junior Competition) 21st ~ 23rd July 2016 (Masters Competition)
Name of Technical Delegate:	Cyril SEN (MAS)
Report submitted to ITTF PTTD:	September 2016



Airport:

Adi Sumarmo International Airport (SOC), the main airport of arrival for most, is about a 25 minute drive from the hotels. To get to this airport from outside Indonesia, it is necessary to first transit at Jakarta airport. An alternative that was used by some, was to fly directly to Jogjakarta airport and to travel by road for about an hour to reach the hotels.

The organisers arranged transport from both airports.

Accreditation:

Accreditation cards were provided to all teams, officials and volunteers, though many were without photographs. However, this was not found to be a necessity as the majority of people present were those involved in the competition.

Accommodation:

The hotel in the Prospectus was not used to house any of the teams or officials. The following 2 hotels were used instead.

1. Hotel Sahid Raya Solo



2. The Royal Surakarta Heritage Hotel



Whilst both hotels are located about 10 minutes from each other, it takes about 40 minutes by road to reach the venue, a time that was generally too long for the comfort of the players. Teams from 5 countries stayed at the Hotel Sahid whilst the other 5 teams stayed at the Hotel Royal.

There was a great difference between the qualities of the 2 hotels as the Hotel Sahid is a 3-star hotel, whilst the Hotel Royal is a 4.5-star hotel. This difference is reflected in the feedback from the teams where Hotel Sahid received an average of 52% satisfaction for Hotel & Meals, whilst Hotel Royal scored 84% for the same.

Free wifi service was available in the lobby as well as in the rooms, though the service was much better and more reliable in the Hotel Royal than in the Hotel Sahid.

Meals & Refreshments:

- ❖ Breakfast and dinner were at the hotel, whilst lunch was at the venue by way of buffet meals. Breakfast was of good quality with a fairly good spread at the Hotel Royal, but the same can't be said for the Hotel Sahid.
- ❖ Providing a buffet lunch on site was indeed good as the food was served warm and helped ensure a more hygienic method of preparation and serving. Lunch was served in 2 areas in the venue, with each hotel catering for each of the areas.
- ❖ There was adequate space and facilities for wheelchair users, who were assisted by the hotel staff as and when required.
- ❖ Bottled water was available for all at the venue. Water dispensers were also made available.
- ❖ Snacks in packets were provided to all twice a day.



Transportation:

- ❖ Transport between airport and hotel and vice versa was well organized.
- ❖ The meet-and-greet was well handled with the organisers having arranged for those arriving to be met as soon as they had exited the arrival hall.
- ❖ On practice days, a shuttle service for both wheelchair and non-wheelchair users was made available.
- ❖ On competition days, the shuttle service was at one-hour intervals. It would have been better if the intervals were 30 minutes, but this was not possible even with the number of vehicles available as the minimum turn-around time for a vehicle was 80 minutes.
- ❖ Besides the above, a van was available for use by team officials in the event of urgent need.



Venue: GOR RM Said Hall, Tegalasri, Bejen, Kec. Karanganyar

Competition Hall & Practice Hall:



The building is one hall with work rooms on one side. Part of the hall had to be used for the Warm Up area, and another part for the Call Area.

Field of Play:

There were 12 wheelchair-compatible competition tables, with 4 additional tables for practice.

Tables were arranged in 4 rows of 3 each.

The available space was insufficient to set-up 12 tables with the minimum-sized playing areas, resulting in tables in the middle row (#9~#12) having a very much reduced playing area.



Warm-up & Call Areas:

The back part of the hall was used for the warm-ups as well as the Call Area. The limited space necessitated the reduction of the warm-up tables from 6 to 4.



Lighting:

The organisers made great efforts to improve the lighting in the playing arena, such that the readings over the tables ranged from about 450 to 600 lux. There was a promise that it would be better next year. The lighting in the warm-up area needs to be improved significantly.

Spectator Seating:

Elevated terraced seating for about 500 was available. At the front of the terraced seating was elevated space for wheelchairs. The total space for spectators was more than sufficient.



Competition Management Table:

An elevated platform with sufficient tables and workspace was provided on one side of the playing hall. The TD and Referee team were provided with individual wifi connectivity.

Medical:

It was good to see that, throughout the competition, medical staff were on stand-by at the field of play whilst an ambulance was available at the venue.

Sports Equipment:

Floor : PVC
Tables : Xiom T5 (ITTF Approved)
Balls : Nittaku Premium 40+ *** white
Nets: Champion
Surrounds : Xiom
Asst. Umpires' Tables: Shiamiq
Towel Boxes: Plastic trays
Team Names & Match Score Indicators: NA

Work Rooms: There was one accessible room located adjacent to the playing area which was made available for:
❖ TD & Referee

Wheelchair Storage & Repair: A separate room was made available.

Lounges / Change Rooms:

Players: A vacant space adjacent to the work room and the hall was made available for the players to rest and to change.



Match Officials: There was a simple setup located adjacent to the competition management table.

Washrooms:

Beside the competition management table, but well screened off, were two renovated washrooms. One of the washrooms had a toilet that was wheelchair friendly. As the number of wheelchair persons was small, it proved to be sufficient.



Hall & Equipment:

Excellent co-operation was received from those responsible.

Competition Programme:

17 th July 2016	Arrival day for some; Practice; Classification
18 th July 2016	Arrival day for some; Classification; Practice; Junior Competition Technical Meeting; Referee's Briefing for umpires
19 th July 2016	Junior Singles Events
20 th July 2016	Continuation of Junior Singles Events; Awards Ceremonies for Junior Singles Events; Masters Competition Technical Meeting
21 st July 2016	Opening Ceremony; Masters Singles Events; Draw for Team Events
22 nd July 2016	Continuation of Masters Singles Events; Masters Team Events
23 rd July 2016	Continuation of Masters Team Events; Awards Ceremonies for Masters Singles and Team Events
24 th July 2016	Departure of teams & officials

Competition Hours:

19 th July 2016	10:00 ~ 13:00
20 th July 201	10:00 ~ 13:00
21 st July 2016	11:00 ~ 18:30
22 nd July 2016	10:00 ~ 20:00
23 rd July 2016	10:30 ~ 18:00

Participants Junior Competition):

Countries:	5 (INA, JPN, KOR, KUW, MAS)
Male:	9
Female:	5
TOTAL	<u>14</u>

Participants (Masters Competition):

Countries:	11 (EGY, GER, INA, IRI, JPN, KOR, KUW, MAS, SIN, THA, TPE)
Male:	77
Female:	18
Staff:	42
TOTAL	<u>137</u>

Events Contested (Junior Competition):

Class Singles:	SF8-10; SM7-8, SM9-10
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Events Contested (Masters Competition):

Class Singles: SF2-3; SF4-5; SF6-8; SF9-10;
SM1-2; SM3; SM4; SM5; SM6; SM7; SM8; SM9; SM10

Class Teams: TF2-5; TF7-10;
TM1-3; TM4; TM5; TM6-7; TM8; TM9

Organising Committee:

Tournament Director: Rima Ferdianto
Main Contact: Rima Ferdianto

Match Officials:

TD:	Cyril SEN	MAS
Referee:	ZHANG Yingqiu	CHN
Deputy Referee:	Niwat Semangern	THA
	PARK In Sook	KOR
Classifier:	SE TO Phui Lin	MAS
	Cannie LEUNG	HKG
Computer:	Lizwardi	INA

Umpires: 29 in total comprising 1 foreign (THA) and 28 local umpires. The foreign umpire was the only female. Of the 29 umpires, only 2 were IUs.



On the whole, all the umpires carried out their duties satisfactorily, though most of the local umpires lacked experience and exposure.

Volunteers:

Ball persons: Sufficient numbers of persons were on hand to assist. We were never short. They did a good job and were well managed.

Liaison: Every delegation was provided with a liaison person, even though some delegations were very small. These young volunteers did an excellent job, and this was openly expressed by many of the teams. In the feedback survey, they received a 94% satisfaction return!



Meetings

There were two Technical Meetings, one for the Juniors Competition and the other for the Masters Competition.

The Technical Meetings were chaired by representatives of the Organising Committee.

The Juniors Competition Technical Meeting was held at 19:00 hours on 18th July at the "Sidomukti" Room, 2nd Floor, Sahid Jaya Hotel.

The Masters Competition Technical Meeting was held at 18:00 hours on 20th July at the Sukoharjo Room, 1st Floor, Sahid Jaya Hotel



The good cooperation given by all those present is very much appreciated.

The Referee's Briefing for umpires was held at 17:30 hours on 18th July in the "Sidomukti" Room, Sahid Jaya Hotel. It was well attended.

Information, Communication & Results:

❖ Information and results were communicated via the pigeon holes (stacks of trays) at the Call Area. Besides this, results were posted on the wall above the trays. There was an information board at the lobby of each hotel.



❖ Besides the above, results were posted on the IPTTC website from time to time.

❖ Wifi was available in the venue

Media:

A big thank you to Ian Marshal for the 5 articles published:
http://www.ittf.com/_front_Page/ittf_full_story1.asp?ID=45131
http://www.ittf.com/_front_Page/ittf_full_story1.asp?ID=45138
http://www.ittf.com/_front_Page/ittf_full_story1.asp?ID=45152
http://www.ittf.com/_front_Page/ittf_full_story1.asp?ID=45159

Though we did not have the services of a professional photographer, one of the volunteers was assigned to assist in this area.

There was no live streaming or tv recordings.
The press was seen from time to time.

Ceremonies:

Opening Ceremony: This was held for about 90 minutes before the start of the Masters Competition. It was well organized with a cultural show and short speeches. The 2-hour delay in the start of the competition did not affect the completion of the competition at a reasonable time, but it could have if there was a bigger number of athletes.



Junior Competition Awards Ceremony:

This was held immediately after the completion of the competition on the 2nd day.

Masters Competition Awards Ceremonies:

The awards ceremonies for the Class Singles and Class Teams events were held together on the last day of play after the conclusion of the competition.



Basic Umpires' Course:

Working with the Indonesia NPC, the TD conducted a 2-day Basic Umpires Course for the local umpires. It was well attended and did go a long way to assist the umpires in their preparations for the competitions.



Evaluation:

Hotel Sahid Jaya:	Fair
Hotel Royal:	Very Good
Meals @ Sahid Jaya:	Poor
Meals @ Hotel Royal:	Good
Transportation	Good
Technical Meeting	Very Good
Communication:	Very Good
Competition Format:	Very Good
Umpires:	Fair to Good
Volunteers:	Very Good
Officials:	Good to Very Good
General Impression:	Very Good
Entry Fee:	Acceptable
Venue:	Fair to Good
Awards Ceremony:	Good

Observations and Recommendations:

- Accreditation:** ➤ To request photos from all together with the Entry Form so as to be able verify authenticity of card bearer.
- Hotel:**
- To ensure all hotels are of about the same quality and suitability
 - To be closer to the competition venue so as to reduce travel time
- Meals & Refreshments:** ➤ To ensure hotels serve meals suitable for athletes in terms of quality and quantity, and also at the agreed times.
- Venue:**
- Floor: Matting to be laid without gaps.
 - No. of Tables:
 - Competition: For the available space in this venue, there should be no more than 8 tables.
 - Warm Up: To have at least 4 tables in the available area, it will be necessary to move the Call Area to, possibly, a marquee outside the building
 - Lighting:
 - Playing Area: Was not uniform over all tables as is required. Was insufficient for TV or Streaming. To ensure lighting of much higher intensity and uniformity is provided.
 - Warm Up Area: to be improved significantly.

- Venue (contd):**
- Change Rooms: To consider having individual rooms for male and female athletes, preferably with en-suite wash rooms
 - Call Area: To screen this off from the playing area.

Publicity:

- Media Officer and Photographer: There were no professional / semi-professional personnel assigned for this. It is in the interest of the LOC to have their event publicised as much as, and as widely as, possible, but to do this, the right personnel are necessary. For future competitions, the LOC should appoint a photographer cum/and media officer to carry out these important functions.

Match Officials: Foreign Umpires: Greater effort should be made by the LOC to invite more foreign umpires, not only to meet the requirements of the Directives, but also to ensure greater “neutrality” during the competition.

Ceremonies: To keep the Opening Ceremony as short as possible for the convenience of the athletes and also to allow for sufficient time for the completion of the competition within a reasonable time especially when there are more entries.

Conclusion: A number of players expressed their happiness to be at such an event and to have had so many pleasant experiences and memories. The warmth and friendliness of the Indonesian people were very much appreciated.

Despite some short-comings, overall, the event was well organized, and in my opinion, a great success. The choice of Solo as the city in which to hold the competition, not only was good for the sport, but also afforded all, especially the foreigners, the opportunity to visit a city with a lot of history.

In closing, I take this opportunity to sincerely thank all those involved: the LOC for its patience and cooperation; the Referee and her team; the umpires for their dedication and cooperation; and all the volunteers, especially those young liaison officers, for their commitment and support. Thanks too, to the Indonesia Table Tennis Association and especially to the Indonesia NPC for the support and assistance given.

Congratulations to all for helping make the 1st Indonesia PTT Open 2016 a successful event.

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